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**Brief Summary of Selected Substantive Portions of this Response**

**[0001]** In a telephone discussion (on Thursday, November 13, 2008), the Examiner appeared to agree that the proposed claim amendments would likely overcome the rejections based on 35 USC § 101. Amendments are presented herein based on the discussion with the Examiner.

**[0002]** This brief summary is not intended to represent the Applicant's full response to the Action. Rather, it is merely a brief summary of selected substantive portions of the response herein.